(b) if so, in which specific areas and subjects, the need for such upgradation was observed; and

(c) the steps Governments propose to take to update the NCERT text books?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION) (DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI): (a) to (c) The Executive Committee of the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) in its meeting held on 19th July, 1995 desired that NCERT should update the curriculum and teaching/ learning material of the course in computer education every year in order to keep pace with the latest developments. The Council proposes to update textual/learning material in computer education on receiving feedback from the users.

Loss of Production due to non-Supply of Natural Gas to Namrup Units of HFC

1222. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:
SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the production loss suffered by Namrup unit during 1994-95 and in six months from April to September, 1995 due to inadequate supply of Natural Gas;

(b) whether OIL and ONGC are making fresh commitment to supply gas to other industrial units/companies while failing to augment the gas supply to HFC, Namrup; and

(c) the remedial action taken by the ministry to ensure requisite amount of gas to Namrup unit?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV): (a) It has been estimated by HFC that there was a production loss of 4.7 lakh tonnes of urea in the Namrup units of HFC during 1994-95 and April-September, 1995 due to limitation in supply of natural gas.

(b) ONGC.and OIL are supplying gas only to units which have been allocated gas by the Government.

(c) The supply to HFCL is being increased in the short term by connecting up sources of low pressure gas. OIL is examining the proposals to develop its free gas reserves.

Review of National Literacy Mission

1223. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have reviewed the functioning of the National Literacy Mission in the country (State-wise);

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether there are any villages in Maharastra and Gujarat which do not have primary schools;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(e) the details of central assistance given to these States during each of the last three years to set up primary schools in such villages?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. Of EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) The functioning of the Literacy Programmes in various States, sanctioned by the National Literacy Mission, is reviewed regularly and is a continuing process.

(c) and (d) As per norms, the State Governments are expected <*o* provide primary schooling facilities to the habitation with a population of 300 or more within a distance of one kilometre

As per the 5th All India Educational Survey conducted, by National Council of Educational Research & "_ Training (NCERT), 99.23% of rural habitations in Gujarat and 98.37% of rural habitations in Maharashtra are served by primary schools within a distance of one kilometre.

(e) the Central Government does not' have any Scheme for providing financial assistance to States for setting up primary schools.

इस्पात क्षेत्र के विकास के लिए विश्व बैंक से सहायता

1224. **श्री अनन्तराय देवशंकर दवे**: क्या इस्पात मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या विश्व बैंक देश में इस्पात क्षेत्र के विकास के लिए वित्तीय सहायता प्रदान कर रहा हैं;

(ख) यदि हां,तो गत तीन वर्षो के दौरान प्रदान की गई सहायता का ब्यौरा क्या हैं;और

(ग) क्या प्राप्त की गई धनराशि को पूरी तरह उपयोग किया गया हैं;और यदि नहीं,तो इसके क्या कारण हैं?

इस्पात मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री सन्तोष मोहन देव): (क) और (ख) विश्व बैंक ने इस्पात क्षेत्र को पुनसंरचना के लिए 9.8.1988 से प्रभावी औद्योगिक वित्त एंव तकनीकी सहायता परियोजना के तहत स्टील अथारिटी ऑफ इण्डिया लिमिटेड (सेल) को 500 लाख अमरीकी डालर का प्रत्यक्ष ऋण दिया था । पिछले तीन वर्षो के दौरान संवितरित राशि का ब्यौरा नीचे दर्शाया गया हैं:-

(दस लाख अमरीकी डालर)

1992-93.....4.608

1993-94.....5.665

1994-95.....9.691

(ग) पिछले 3 वर्षो के दौरान उपयोगिता की सीमा नीचे दर्शाई गई हैं:-

(दस लाख अमरीकी डालर)

1992-93.....4.607

1993-94.....5.665

1994-95.....8.341

"सेल" को विश्व बैंक ऋण अग्रदाय आधार पर दिया गया हैं । 30 लाख अमरीकी डालर की शेष राशि आई.बी.आर.डी.द्वारा एस.बी.आई.न्यूयार्क डिपाजिट अकाउन्ट में व्यय करने के लिए रखने की अनुमति दी गई तथा वास्तविक व्यय होने के बाद "सेल द्वारा प्रतिपूर्ति एस.बी.आई.न्यूयार्क डिपाजिट अकाउन्ट में की जाती हैं । उपयोग की गई राशि और संवितरित राशि के बीच का अन्तर निधि का कम उपयोग करने के कारण नहीं हैं बल्कि उपरोक्त अग्रदाय प्रणाली के कारण हैं ।

Issues Raised at Beijing Conference

1225. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA.
SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR
SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether India used the opportunity provided by the 4th International Conference at Beijing held in September, 1995, to have issuer like the compensation for women for their unpaid toil of love for the family at large, settled and resolved; and

(b) if so, what specific issues were raised and taken up by Indian representative at the Beijing Conference and what consensus and decisions were arrived.at in regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN - AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) (KUMARI VIMLA VERMA): (a) and (b) The Indian delegation took the opportunity of the Wqrld Conference at Beijing and. participated actively in the deliberations and also in drafting of the Platform For Action (PFA) through various Committees, Working Groups and Sub-Groups. It provided necessary inputs